

ABSOLUTE RATING: Unsatisfactory
IMPROVEMENT RATING: Excellent

Number of high schools with students similar to ours: 20. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to good. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
2001	Unsatisfactory	Excellent
2002		
2003		
2004		

TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	Our School			Schools With Students Like Ours		
	1999	2000	2001	1999	2000	2001
• Passed all 3 subtests	37.7	51.2	52.7	47.9	48.2	55.7
• Passed 2 subtests	25.8	22.3	20.7	23.0	22.5	20.3
• Passed 1 subtest	18.2	14.5	13.2	15.9	17.4	14.1
• Passed no subtests	18.2	12.0	13.5	13.1	11.8	9.9

ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS	Our School	Schools With Students Like Ours
% of seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships at four-year institutions	4.8%	7.7%
% of seniors who met the SAT requirement	4.8%	7.8%
% of seniors who met the grade point average	30.4%	41.9%

Beginning in 2003, the graduation rate for each high school will be included in the school rating.

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Student Group	Seniors		
	Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2001	Eligibility for LIFE Scholarships	Graduation Rate
All students	77.7%	4.8%	N/A until 2003
Students with disabilities other than speech	54.5%	0.0%	
Students without disabilities	78.4%	4.9%	
Gender			
Male	73.7%	2.4%	
Female	80.4%	6.5%	
Ethnic Group			
African American	71.0%	3.0%	
Hispanic	100.0%	0.0%	
White	87.1%	9.1%	
Other	N/A	0.0%	
Lunch Status			
Free/reduced-price lunch	73.2%	2.6%	
Pay for lunch	87.2%	10.9%	

STUDENTS IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY COURSES

Mastering core competencies	65.3%
Completers placed	95.5%
Eligible students enrolled	64.3%

SCHOOL PROFILE

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
SCHOOL				
• Dollars spent per student	\$4,525	N/A	\$5,692	\$5,668
• Prime instructional time	88.6%	Down from 91.2%	88.2%	90.1%
• Student-teacher ratio	30.2 to 1	N/A	23.8 to 1	25.1 to 1
STUDENTS (n=1,495)				
• Advanced Placement/ Int'l Baccalaureate Program Exam Success Ratio	7.8%	N/A	10.5%	40.0%
• Attendance rate	99.0%	Down from 99.4%	95.0%	95.3%
• Retention rate	15.7%	Up from 13.7%	11.4%	10.0%
TEACHERS (n=89)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	11.4 Days	Up from 7.7	8.3 Days	7.5 Days
• Attendance rate	92.3%	Down from 93.3%	94.9%	95.7%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	41.6%	Down from 43.2%	41.6%	49.4%
• Continuing contract teachers	89.9%	No change	74.1%	81.0%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	1.1%	Up from 0.0%	3.3%	3.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	88.0%	Down from 88.3%	82.4%	85.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$36,517	Up 3.3%	\$36,352	\$38,125

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median High School
SCHOOL				
• Dropout rate	4.7%	Up from 1.5%	3.4%	2.9%
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	60.0%	N/A	54.1%	56.4%
• Principal's years at the school	2.0	N/A	2.0	3.0
• Percent of parents attending conferences	43.8%	N/A	60.2%	60.1%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Excellent
STUDENTS				
• Older than usual for grade	12.9%	No change	13.5%	10.1%
• Suspended or expelled	50	N/A	58	29
• Gifted and talented	1.4%	Down from 8.5%	2.2%	7.4%
• With disabilities other than speech	9.9%	Down from 11.2%	11.9%	10.7%
• Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	4.2%	N/A	6.1%	4.5%
• Enrollment in career and technology center courses	961	N/A	335	350
• Career students participating in work-based experiences	17.2%	N/A	21.5%	23.1%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

The 2000 – 2001 school year was a positive one for Marlboro County High School. Important strides were made as we continued to focus our efforts on improving student outcomes. Our students engaged in a number of service activities and set an example for students of other schools in our community. Among our accomplishments were the following:

1. Exit exam scores for our 10th grade students showed growth for the second consecutive year;
2. Seniors were offered more than \$600,000 in scholarships and awards;
3. A comprehensive character education program was implemented;
4. Our boys basketball team won the State AAAA Championship; and
5. Our Army JROTC was designated as a "Unit of Distinction", placing it among the top 10 percent of all JROTC programs in America.

Students enrolled in vocational courses of study participated in mentoring programs, on-the-job training and job shadowing activities. Membership in our Business Education Partnership has grown from two to twenty-one businesses. Student participation in extra-curricular activities included serving as voluntary tutors for elementary and middle school students, performing community services, promoting special programs such as "The Rites of Passage," "It's Okay to Wait," "Girl Power," and forming the first ever MCHS Key Club as an affiliate of Kiwanis International.

Advances in the innovative use of technology include the designation of an on-staff instructional technology specialist, implementation of a "Technology Tuesday" staff development plan, and the development and maintenance of an up-to-date school web page.

Principal Rocky Peterkin believes it is important for the supporters of MCHS to realize that the focus will remain on improving student outcomes and maintaining a high school that will make the community proud.

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	56.8	52.5	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	66.7	65.7	
Satisfied with home-school relations	35.1	76.0	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Grades 9-12 High School

Enrollment: 1,495 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade:
Average



South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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